



### THE MILITIA BALL.

As the steamer Little Annie neared the town Saturday evening, we were greeted with the familiar strains of the Myrtle Point band coming to participate in the ball. Although the surprise was not complete, as news of their coming had preceded them, yet they were nevertheless made welcome by Company K and the people of Bandon, who feel it their duty to respond when opportunity offers. After assembling in the hall the band rendered some choice selections of music while waiting for the entertainment to commence. All things being ready the band struck up the grand march, Capt. Bloomer and daughter leading off. The march was well executed and was a pleasing feature of the entertainment. After the grand march Company K fell into line and saluted the band and were themselves saluted in return, after which dancing commenced and was continued, with an intermission for supper, until half-past five o'clock in the morning. Supper was served at the Bandon Hotel, where a bountiful repast was spread out to nourish the inner man. The ladies present were:

Mrs. G. M. Dyer, Anna Jones, A. H. Gross, J. Hoffman, Annie Miller, B. W. Bullard, M. S. Krieger, W. P. Holman, Emma Truman, Myrtle Howell, Edwin Cook, Levi Snyder, J. F. Schroeder, M. Langlois, A. L. Olive, D. E. Stitt, A. H. Buckingham, Kootenai, C. Meyerle.

Misses Annie Clinton, Kattie Gross, Olive Crook, Fannie Houghton, Rosa Decker, Hattie Dyer, Sarah Peirce, Etta Russell, Ida Boies, Amanda Wait, Maggie Lamont, Viola Stitt, Kattie Stitt, Babel Lamont, May Long, Sarah Kootenai, Mary Kootenai, Maud Jones, Maud Franklin, Lida Button, Gussie Reed, Florence Ashton, Maggie Ohman, Minnie McClosky, Linnie Holman, Annie Davidson, Rena Averill, S. Blumenthal, May Giles, Anna Giles, Rosa Bayerle, Tena Hambloch, May Mars, Josephine Olsen.

The music was furnished by Clark Bullard, Mrs. Bullard, O. F. Topping and Mr. E. assisted by the Myrtle Point band.

### ACCIDENTALLY SHOT.

It is said that M. L. Randleman has the prettiest cottage on the Coquille river. O. F. Topping, Frank Lowe, Chas. Laughed and A. T. Shoemaker did the carpenter work and J. H. Gauntlett did the painting. It is rather late in the year for strawberries, yet Mr. James Wyant, living in the back part of town, has quite a large patch that is sending forth a considerable crop of bloom, while some of the fruit is nearly grown. S. B. Cathcart, County Surveyor, is in Bandon this week surveying property in and contiguous to town. He has some eight or ten days work to do at this place, and will probably complete it before going elsewhere. Ward Felter, engineer of the Coquille City mill, has been rusticated in Bandon for a few days, the mill having shut down to put in a new boiler, the old one being unsafe to operate longer. A gang-edger and ratchet head-blocks will also be placed in the mill.

### THE PARKERSBURG ASHORE YET

The Parkersburg did not get into the river, as was expected in our last issue, but the effort was continued until they swung her around with her bow toward the river, and the heavy seas threw her high upon the beach alongside of Racleff rock, where she still lies. On last Tuesday the work of unlading the vessel commenced and was successfully completed on the following Thursday, having worked during the ebb tide of three days and one night. The freight was in good condition considering the circumstances. Captain Parker estimates the damage to freight at \$50, while he thinks \$100 will cover the damage of the vessel. She will be raised and launched from where she rests. Probably few vessels would have withstood the thumping that the Parkersburg has, having had solid beach all the way, and passing over one large rock on her journey around the point.

### A CARD.

Having refitted my store, and laid in a stock of holiday goods of first class quality, I solicit the patronage of the people of Bandon and vicinity, and will insure them prices as low or lower than the lowest. "In Union there is strength." No need in future to send to "circular houses," or wait for traveling men. Patronize home industry and in return I will give you low prices and "square dealing."

Yours respectfully,  
H. NEELY,  
Watchmaker.

### BREVITIES.

Fine weather this week.  
Salt salmon at Laughed Bros.  
Read Neely's card in another column.  
Holiday presents at Neely's at low prices.  
Dan Koontz moved into his new house this week.

A fine stock of Christmas goods at Rosa's drug store.  
Mrs. R. P. Tupper has gone to Coquille City to visit friends this week.

The story of Mr. Chas. Franklin's marriage turns out to be a canard.  
Capt. W. E. Racleff, of Myrtle Point, paid Bandon a business visit this week.

Begonia at Neely's in gold and gold-filled watches.  
Edwin Cook, the new lively man, has moved into the old K. K. Caldwell drugstore building.

The latest news from the wreck of the tug Fearless says that sixteen persons perished in the wreck.  
Mr. R. Pomeroy came up to town this week, with turkeys to supply the demand for Thanksgiving Day.

Eugene Schroeder, aged 17 years, and son of A. H. Schroeder, died of Typhoid-pneumonia at Norway, the 25th inst.

W. S. Marshall, of New Lake, passed through Bandon this week, having spent a few days up the river on business.

John Buckingham, who has been stopping in Bandon for the past few months, started for his home in the Valley last Tuesday.

Rev. R. J. E. Campbell is in the upper river country this week canvassing "The Story of Man," a very interesting and useful book.

The family of Mr. O. P. Higginbotham moved from Coquille City to Bandon this week. Mr. H. has been here for some time working for Laughed Bros.

There were quite a large number of passengers on the steamer Thursday evening, among whom were Mr. Wise of Myrtle Point, Sol McClosky, of Norway, and Wm. Schroeder, of Arago.

We learn from the Coos Bay News that Mr. O'Neal has chartered the tug Katie Cook of this place to do his towing on the bay. She will go around to the bay as soon as the weather permits.

Wm. Jenkins, of Coquille City, was arrested at this place Friday morning, and taken down to Astoria for some misdemeanor done at the former place. It appears that no one got hurt in the affray.

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Mr. William Green and Webb Fahy were in town Tuesday and report Charley Fahy, the boy who was shot last week, as improving rapidly. They say that he eats well and can talk so as to be readily understood and manifests considerable interest in the affairs of life.

It is due James Averill that we make mention of his services rendered to suffering humanity last week. He rode through the rain and mud, from Fahy's residence to Empire City, telegraphed for Dr. Tower and returned about 11 o'clock p. m., having been nearly twelve hours in the saddle and riding almost fifty miles.

The upper river had quite a rise Thursday and Friday of last week, floating away hundreds of saw logs from landings and creek bottoms, causing considerable excitement among log owners. The river, from Parkersburg to Coquille City, is lined with logs that have been secured to its banks. None however were carried out to sea.

Mr. M. W. Kennedy, living on Two-mile creek, has grown some very large potatoes this season. He brought a sack to town containing 57 potatoes and weighing 109 1/2 lbs. He had 26 potatoes that weighed one bushel and had some that weighed 4 1/2 pounds each, yet this was not a favorable year for potatoes, as there is a general complaint of their being scarce.

**DIED**—At Mussle Creek, Curry county Oregon, on November 16th, 1889, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Carey.

**ACCIDENT**—On Thursday afternoon Master Frank Boyrie had the misfortune while chopping to strike his brother Arthur nearly severing a hand. The bones and chords of the two front fingers were entirely severed half way between the wrist and first joint of the hand. It is feared it will cripple the hand permanently.  
—Coquille Herald.

### WRECK OF THE TUG FEARLESS.

The sad news reached here Friday afternoon of the loss of the tug Fearless, with all on board, at the mouth of the Umpqua river. The following which was telegraphed to the Oregonian via Drain Station, is probably as correct an account as any received.

"The tug Fearless, of Coos bay, Captain James Hill commanding, ran on to North Spit at the mouth of the Umpqua river Tuesday evening, and soon went to pieces, not one of the crew or the passengers escaping. She was on her trip from Astoria, where she had to go to take a lot of Chinamen, lately discharged from the canneries on Coos bay. At 3 p. m. Tuesday she was seen off upper Ten Mile, steaming slowly down the coast just outside the breakers, which were running very high, and at 6 o'clock her whistle was heard off the mouth of Umpqua. At a quarter before seven she gave three sharp whistles, which was the last seen of her until the next morning, when her pilot house with the end stove in, a small boat, the stern, one side of her hull and numerous small pieces were discovered coming up the river with the tide. The steamer Juno at once steamed down to the mouth of the river and put a searching party ashore and the beach was patrolled for miles to the south, but no bodies were discovered. Other parties who came down the coast from the north reported that they had seen no bodies in that direction. The general impression of seafaring men is that she had sprung a leak and that the captain was attempting to get into the river in order to save the lives of those on board, and either miscalculated his position or was blown out of his course by the heavy wind prevailing at the time. The number lost is said to be from ten to fifteen souls."

From the Coos Bay News we also learn the following:

"It is to be sincerely hoped that the number of lives reported lost is a mistake, and at this writing it would appear that George S. Marshall, the canneryman, was the only passenger on board. Capt. James Hill was in command; Henry Grow, engineer; Walter Keating, assistant engineer; Otto Olson, deck hand; Chas. Seagreen, fireman; and China Sam, the cook. All the parties were well known here, where they had lived for years, and the families and relatives of the unfortunate men have the heartfelt sympathy of the entire community. Mr. Marshall was the sole support of a wife and six young children, and his loss is a terrible blow. Capt. Hill, Chas. Seagreen and Walter Keating also leave families.

"John Grow, engineer on Neel & Hyde's pile driver, proceeded to the Umpqua on hearing of the accident. He found his brother's trunk, and cushions belonging to him, but no trace of any of the missing men. The beach is being patrolled, and all steps taken looking to the recovery of the bodies.

The Fearless was owned by Simpson Bros. and was built 15 years ago at Oakland, Cal., since which time she has been steadily employed in the Coos Bay trade.

### DISTRICT TEMPERANCE ALLIANCE.

Roseburg, Nov. 18th 1889.  
The Alliance for the 2nd District comprise the counties of Douglas, Jackson, Josephine, Coos, Curry, Lake and Klamath will convene in Roseburg, Wednesday, Dec. 11th, at 10 o'clock a. m. in the Baptist church. Churches, Sunday schools and all Temperance organizations are entitled to representation as follows: One delegate for each such organization and one additional for every (50) fifty members or major fraction thereof. Arrangements have been made with the S. P. R. Co. by which all delegates paying full fare to the Alliance will be returned at one-fifth regular fare.

As this is the first meeting of the Alliance in this district let us have a rousing meeting. Quite a number of the most prominent state workers are expected to be present.

B. F. RAMP,  
Secretary.

### MARINE NOTES.

The Eureka, Jorgensen, is still bar bound at this place. She will probably get out to day (Friday).  
The Del Norte, Brown, is outside the bar and will probably get in this (Friday) afternoon.

### INEXCUSABLY MISLEADING.

**EDITOR RECORDER**—In matters of mere theory, whose chief ingredient may be the simple opinion of the writer, readers are not necessarily misled, but in statements appearing in the public prints purporting to be facts, based upon definite data, the case is quite different. As to such facts it is inexcusable on the part of the editor to mislead, misinstruct and misguide his audience. As to the current news and determinable facts, only the truth should be held out for truth. To publish recklessly statements for facts, which may or may not be true, is an abuse of that faith and confidence which it ought to be the ambition of the editor of a newspaper to have the public repose in his utterances. The public print is the popular educator of the day, hence, garbled statistics or historical misinformation should be scrupulously eschewed.

In time past it was a popular theme in some quarters to set up if not to magnify the thrift and success of the New England farmer in comparison, in disparagement of other sections of the country, and more especially the southern section. At one time there was ground for this, but that was in the past. All sources of information concur that agriculture in New England is at a low ebb indeed. In Vermont, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and parts of Massachusetts, farms have become so unremunerative and unprofitable that they are being actually abandoned by the scores and hundreds. Commissioners have been appointed in some if not all of the states above enumerated, by authority of their Legislatures, to ascertain the causes of agricultural decay, and, if possible, devise ways and means for the arrest of the same. In Vermont and possibly in Rhode Island, it has been proposed to organize and facilitate the sale of the lands of the decaying states. The above facts have been suggested by the persistency with which the false and misleading assumption is attempted in some quarters to be maintained, that New England agriculture is peculiarly prosperous by reason of its proximity to manufacturing centers.

In a recent number of the Roseburg Plaindealer, the editor says: "The sterile New England hills are dotted with prosperous happy homes by reason of her manufacturing interests while the sunny south with its fertile valleys languishes in poverty for the want of manufactures."

Per contra, in the Portland Rural Press and Willamette Farmer, of November 7, we find this editorial reflection:

"A rather sad story is told by Mr. Valentine, a Vermont official, about the desertion of that beautiful state by its former inhabitants. Standing with other officials on a hill in Bennington county, and looking over the valley of the West river, a tributary of the Connecticut, they counted fifteen contiguous farms, of perhaps a hundred acres each, all fenced, and with dwelling houses and barns in at least tolerable condition, without a single inhabitant.

This is fortified by current press comment in the East and West. Late issues of the New York World, Springfield (Mass.) Republican and Chicago News have discussed the problem of the decadence of New England rural progress at considerable length.

J. H. URTOX.

### COQUILLE CITY.

Ed Gallier has become the owner of the Crosby stallion known as Capt. Slagert.

J. W. Moss, of Cherry creek, was presented with a fine 13lb boy the forepart of last week.

Born, at the residence of Mrs. Sarah J. Adams on Kitchener creek, November 21, 1889, to the wife of J. M. Johnson, a son, weight 11 pounds.

Married Nov. 20th, 1889, at the residence of the brides parents, near Gravel Ford, Mr. Z. Cotton, of Fairview, and Miss Margaret Y. Crosby, of Gravel Ford, Elder S. B. Hollenbeck officiating.

Indicted a young lad 16 years of age fell from the roof of J. G. Fish's new building last Tuesday and broke one of his legs near the ankle. Dr. Brower was called and soon reduced the fracture and we learn that he is doing well.

### FROM CANADA.

**EDITOR RECORDER**—I have received your paper and read with much interest its live articles and conundrums over its columns, taking in the "ads" and everything else.

Was very much pleased with John Hume's Xmas poem, "Beautiful City by the Sea," and hope Santa Claus will be good to the little folk of "Beautiful Bandon" next month.

Was taken up very much with letters of "A Bandonian" and the doctor's correspondence in reference to the climate, and much other matter in connexion with your locality and county, and also a host of others which have appeared in the Recorder's live columns.

Have watched with pleasure the progress you are making in reclaiming from nature and developing that part of the Pacific Coast where your lot is cast. A great future is before it with its wealth of the sea and resources of the hills and mountains, extensive forests of the best timber in the world and its valleys of fruitful soil and genial climate. People of the East and North, like spectators of the combat in ancient Rome, can applaud if we can do no more.

Am much gratified to see the improvement in your river and harbor, your shipbuilding operations and hope they will continue to advance until something great results. At no distant day there will be an increased demand for shipping of every class, and with your facilities of timber and other material it would be well to foster your ship yards and keep them in their infancy.

Lake Ontario, on whose north shore is Orono, used to teem with salmon, but now there is not one to be seen. Individual rapacity has fished them all out and we never hear of one being caught or seen in the lake now. This ought to be a warning to those who are so anxious to stop their wholesale slaughter in their natural state. Perhaps your country will give us some facts to rely on in this connexion. The expense to this country is great and nothing to balance it so far. There is much talk but no fish.

I would have thanks conveyed to Mr. Bennett who furnishes the monthly weather reports, as well as to the Recorder for printing them.

Yours truly,  
DANIEL CALLAHAN,  
Orono, Ontario, Nov. 12, 1889.

### COOS BAY ITEMS.

From the Coos Bay News.  
The roads, owing to the late storms, are almost impassable.

It is reported that the Arago has been taken off this route for the present, the Ajax and the Acreta being able to keep the bunkers in the city full of coal.

Nothing further has been heard of the robber who held up the stage on the Coos bay wagon road lately. He has probably got safely away with the swag.

The Acreta was delayed outside Friday, the bar being very rough. She crossed in Sunday and had her decks well washed. Capt. Marshall reports plenty of water on the bar.

J. W. Bennett left on Monday on a visit to Ireland, and expects to return with his family in about six weeks or two months. He goes via Portland and the N. P. R. R. to New York.

George Wilson, of Empire, who was visiting at Astoria, intended to take passage on the ill-fated tug Fearless, and after waiting at the dock for a time, he went pheasant hunting with Charlie Getty's boy and missed the boat. It was a lucky hunt for George.

### OUR PERFECTED CLUB SCHEME.

We have perfected our clubbing arrangements for the winter and it embraces the very best of each class of matter offered. Our list comprises The Cosmopolitan, the Home and Farm, the San Francisco Examiner, and the New York World. By taking advantage of our offers Recorder subscribers may at the smallest possible expense be supplied with widest range of the current issues from the press of the country. The Recorder furnishes a record of local happenings; the Home and Farm treating of live agricultural topics in a thorough and original manner; The Cosmopolitan, a high class magazine, fulfilling its mission admirably; the great Examiner supplying the Coast news in a style and with a fullness heretofore unknown to San Francisco journalism, and the New York World, the marvel of the century—a library in itself.

The list is not extended, but it is comprehensive—it covers a wide field, and we have no doubt of its meeting with general favor.

Now for rates—for either or all of the publications named:

The Recorder	.....\$2 00
The Examiner	..... 1 50
The Home and Farm	..... 2 40
The Cosmopolitan	..... 50
The World	..... 1 00
Regular rate	.....\$7 40
Club rate	..... 5 50

Or,  
The Recorder .....\$2 00  
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The Cosmopolitan ..... 2 40  
Regular rate .....\$6 40  
Club rate ..... 4 85

Or,  
The Recorder .....\$3 00  
The Examiner ..... 1 50  
The Home and Farm ..... 50  
Regular rate .....\$4 00  
Club rate ..... 3 40

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The Recorder .....\$2 00  
The Examiner ..... 1 50  
Regular rate .....\$3 50  
Club rate ..... 2 50

Or,  
The Recorder .....\$2 00  
The World ..... 1 00  
Regular rate .....\$3 00  
Club rate ..... 2 75

Or,  
The Recorder .....\$2 00  
The Cosmopolitan ..... 2 40  
Regular rate .....\$4 40  
Club rate ..... 3 40

Or,  
The Recorder .....\$2 00  
The Home and Farm ..... 50  
Regular rate .....\$2 50  
Club rate ..... 2 10

The club rate is for new subscribers who pay a year's subscription in advance, and for delinquents who pay up and a year in advance.

### ELLENSBURG ITEMS.

From the Gold Beach Gazette.  
The Chetco will be the next schooner to arrive here. She will also probably be the last until spring.

Born—At Chetco, Oregon, on November 17th, 1889, to the wife of Wm. J. Cooley a son.

Owing to stormy weather heavy sea, and rough bar neither the Berwick nor Thistle were able to get out of the river this week.

The Road Commissioners have now completed the setting of grade stakes along the entire line of road, with the exception of a short gap south of Pistol River, which will be closed as soon as the weather will permit.

Capt. Russell returned from a visit to Bandon the first of the week. He expressed much surprise at the rapidity with which that town is building up, and thinks it is the liveliest town on the coast, though it is not improving faster than its surroundings and necessities warrant, and everything indicates that its present prosperity will be permanent.

**NOTICE**—Notice is hereby given that I, from this date I will not assume any debts or contracts made by my wife Mary A. Shoemaker, she having left my bed and board without sufficient cause. Dated at Bandon, Nov. 11, 1889.  
ALBERT SHOEMAKE.

**FINAL PROOF NOTICE**—Land Office at Roseburg, Or., Oct. 23, 1889. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the County Court of Coos county, Oregon, at Empire City, Oregon, on Saturday, December 14, 1889, viz: CALVIN M. HONOROUS, Pre-emption D. S. No. 6582, for the SE 1/4 of NW 1/4, E 1/2 of SW 1/4, and SW 1/4 of SW 1/4, Section 24, Township 30 South, of Range 15 West, W. M. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of, said land, viz: A. Davis and A. E. Emmett, of Bandon, Coos county, Oregon, and C. H. Chandler and John Clausen, of Langlois, Curry county, Oregon.  
CHAS. W. JOHNSTON, Register.